

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 962 - SB 1127

February 23, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Authorizes individuals licensed to carry a handgun to carry the firearm into a restaurant if such establishment has not posted a handgun restriction notice pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1359 and if the individual does not consume alcoholic beverages provided the restaurant is not an age-restricted venue as defined in Tenn. Code Ann. § 39-17-1802. A restaurant is defined as an establishment that serves at least one meal a day five days a week except for holidays and vacations.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Decrease Local Revenue – Not Significant
Decrease Local Expenditures – Not Significant

Assumptions:

- Currently, possession of a firearm in such establishments is punishable as a Class A misdemeanor.
- There will not be a sufficient decrease in the number of prosecutions for local governments to experience a significant decrease in revenue or expenditures.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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